Application Process for Demolition Permits

Applications for demolition of any state owned building to the Rhode Island Building Code Commission will have the following minimum requirements, verify prior to application based on scope.

RIGL 23-27.3 100- Governs the application, permitting, qualifications.

§ 23-27.3-116.1 Service connections.
Before a building may be demolished, razed, shored, or removed, the owner or the owner's agent shall notify all utilities or agencies having service connections within the building, including, but not limited to, water, electric, gas, sewer, and other connections. A permit to demolish or remove a building shall not be issued until a written release is obtained from all utilities or agencies, stating that their respective service connections and appurtenant equipment, such as meters and regulators, have been removed or sealed and plugged in a safe manner.

To comply with §116.1 the applicant must submit service disconnect verification notices from each utility servicing the site. Any additional building services that are not supplied by a public utility are also to be disconnected and removed to a safe distance beyond the proposed construction limits. An example of these would be Private Service Steam Distribution, Water supply, Sewage Ejection Lines, Underground Lawn Sprinkler Systems or any similar feature. Notification and Coordination with Dig Safe is also required 48 Hours in advance of commencement of any work.

§ 23-27.3-116.2 Buildings to be rodent-eradicated prior to demolition.
No buildings or structures shall hereafter be razed or demolished unless, and until, provisions are made for the rodent eradication of the buildings or structures.
The Generally accepted standard for compliance is that baiting has been accomplished.

§ 23-27.3-116.8 Bonds and liability insurance.
Prior to the issuance of a permit to move or demolish a building, a certificate of insurance and a one hundred percent (100%) performance bond shall be filed with the local building official or, in the case of a state project, with the state building commissioner. The amount of paid certificate shall be determined by the municipality or the state building commission respectively.

To comply with §116.8 a current certificate of insurance must be submitted with the application. The certificate must also list the State of Rhode Island as a co-insured for the project proposed.

§ 23-27.3-117.0 Removal of structures.

§ 23-27.3-117.1 Lot regulation.
When a building or structure has been demolished or removed and no building operation has been projected or approved, the vacant lot shall be filled with non-organic fill, graded and maintained in conformity with adjacent grades. The lot shall be maintained free from the accumulation of rubbish and all other unsafe and hazardous conditions which endanger the health, safety, and welfare of the public; provisions shall be made to prevent the accumulation of water or damage to any foundations on the premises or the adjoining property; and necessary retaining walls and fences shall be erected in accordance with the provisions of this chapter.

The “Demolition” of structures involve the complete removal of the structure, utilities and foundation. and the filling, compaction and stabilization of the site. There is nothing left but land when a “Demolition Permit” is issued.”

Projects that do not require the “Demolition” of but remove portions of an existing facility or portions of an interior involving the Removal and Disposal of interior elements and portions of a structure are NOT DEMOLITION in the sense that a Demolition Permit is required. For such work where the foundation is not removed and graded to adjacent conditions a “Building Permit” is required to be issued.
## Demolition Permit Application Requirements

1. **Department or Agency Notice.** A Letter from the Director of the Agency requesting the demolition indicating knowledge and concurrence with the proposed demolition request.

2. **Hazardous materials clearance report.** A report from a properly designated agency as to the presence and proper abatement of any hazardous materials within or around the structure. Final Clearance verification is required.
   
   Work described in the abatement Plan must be completed prior to issuance of any Demolition Permit. Submission of completion must be verified by the Rhode Island Dept of Health RIDOH Abatement Plan Approval Specifically Asbestos in compliance with RI Health Department RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR ASBESTOS CONTROL [R23-24.5-ASB] requires licensed
   
   [http://www2.sec.state.ri.us/dar/regdocs/released/pdf/DOH/4820.pdf](http://www2.sec.state.ri.us/dar/regdocs/released/pdf/DOH/4820.pdf)

3. **Verification of RIHP** Rhode Island Historic Preservation input is requested on any facility older than 25 years of age. [http://www.preservation.ri.gov/](http://www.preservation.ri.gov/) Seek this opinion when first considering property demolition. We will notify this agency of all appropriate applications for demolition prior to issuing any permit.

4. **Demolition Permit Application** Sample of Demolition Permit attached to this document

5. **Utility Disconnect Verifications and Rodent eradication provisions** A document on Utility Letterhead that each Utility has been disconnected and lateral deactivated or removed from the curb or service entrance point and rodent eradication provisions have been implemented.

6. **Certificate of Insurance** Per 23-27.3.117.1

7. **Bond** Per 23-27.3.117.1 A Performance Bond for 100% of the Demolition and Disposal is required for all projects under the jurisdiction of the Rhode Island Building Code Commission.

8. **Contractor Registration** Rhode Island Contractor Registration or Appropriate Rhode Island Department of Labor Hoisting / Trucking License


10. **Fees** Fee based on schedule in RISBC-9
   - Residential - $50.00 per Structure
   - Commercial - $100.00 per Structure
   - Checks only Payable to “State of Rhode Island”
MOVING OR DEMOLITION PERMIT APPLICATION

MUNICIPALITY________________________ APPLICATION DATE________ PERMIT NO._____
NUMERICAL CODE____________________ FEE RECEIVED $______ BY_____

MOVING ONLY

To the Building Official:

The undersigned hereby applies for a permit to move a building and hereby agrees to make said building conform to the requirements of law for a new building in the new location, and further agrees to conform to all the requirements and restrictions imposed by law relative to the moving of buildings, and to post a certificate of liability insurance and a 100% performance bond, when required.

To be moved from________________________ and placed on________________________ and to be moved over the following route________________________

to be moved by________________________ date of proposed moving________________________

Dimensions of structure: Length______ Width______ Height______ Stories______

Plat/Map #______ Lot/Block #______ File/Parcel #______ Area______

Said structure to be used for________________________

Estimated Cost $________________________

Bond/Insurance Posted________________________ Signature of owner or authorized agent

Date______ Address________________________ Tel. No.______

DEMOLITION ONLY

To The Building Official:

The undersigned hereby applies for a permit to demolish a building and agrees to observe and conform to all the conditions, limitations and requirements of the State Building Code and to post a 100% performance bond and a certificate of insurance, when required.

Location________________________ Type of construction________________________

Former building use________________________ Stories________________________

Plat/Map #______ Lot/Block #______ File/Parcel #______ Area______

Building Wrecker________________________ Estimated Cost $________________________

Insurance________________________

Bond Posted________________________ Date______ Signature of owner or authorized agent

Address________________________ Tel. No.______

I hereby (approve) or (disapprove) this application as set forth:

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Building Official

Reason for disapproval:________________________

PLEASE ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS ON REVERSE SIDE OF WHITE COPY

OFFICE FILE (LOCATION).________________________

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Written notification by registered mail must be made 10 days prior to demolition to all utilities and 48 hours notification to DIG SAFE in accordance with the State Law Title 39 Chapter 39.
Call 1-800-225-4977.

May 11, 2011
NOTE: ALL QUESTIONS ON THIS PAGE MUST BE ANSWERED

The undersigned have cut electrical power lines, telephone and telegraph wires and shut off and capped all gas, water, steam and other service lines before demolition or removal of said building is started.

_________________________________________  ___________________________________________
Telephone Company                           Electric Company

_________________________________________  ___________________________________________
Public Works Department                      Gas Company

The undersigned abutting owners and tenants hereby give their consent to cut and disturb such trees and shrubs on their premises as may be necessary in moving or demolition of said building.

_________________________________________  ___________________________________________

I hereby give my consent to cut and disturb such trees and shrubs as may be necessary for passage on ___________________________________________ for the purpose of moving or demolition of said building.

_________________________________________
Public Works Director

We hereby give our consent to move said building over the aforementioned route.

Fire Chief  ___________________________  Police Chief  ___________________________

Application for permission to move or demolish a building

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